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In re Application of:

MANOEL TENORIO

Serial No. 09/976,791

Filed: 12 OCTOBER 2001

For: **IMPROVED SOURCING OF
BILLS OF MATERIALS**

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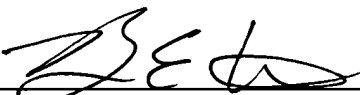
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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The indication in the Notice of Allowance mailed 10 January 2006 that the claims of the present Application have been allowed is noted with appreciation. However, Applicants would like to comment on the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

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The Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance includes an indication that "[t]he prior art, alone or in combination, does not disclose nor provide a motivation to combine...receiving sourcing criteria from at least one data storage location...and a transaction module...."

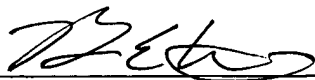
Applicants respectfully point out that claim 32 does not require that sourcing criteria be received "from at least one data storage location." Applicants also respectfully point out that claim 32 does not recite a "transaction module." Thus, the reasons for allowance should not be construed as imposing such limitations on claim 32.

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